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Examiner:

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Attorney Docket #.: 576B

In re:

Applicant(s): OETTEL, M., et al

Serial No.:

10/729,487

Filed:

12/05/2003

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NON-PROVISIONAL APPLICATION AND REQUEST PURSUANT TO PATENT RULE 47 FOR ACCEPTANCE OF APPLICATION WITHOUT THE SIGNATURE OF ONE OF THE INVENTORS

April 26, 2004

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

Reference is made to the Notice to File Missing Parts of a non-provisional application dated January 16, 2004.

Applicant now submits herewith signed declaration papers execute4d by all of the inventors except for the inventor WILDT.

With respect to the inventor WILDT, applicant herewith states that a diligent effort was made to obtain the signature of Dr. WILDT, who can not be found or reached despite diligent effort.

MAIL STOP MISSING PARTS

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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In support thereof, applicant now submits herewith a Declaration mutually signed by Messrs. Eva-Maria Cramer and Uta Pilchowski, who are employed by the Patent Department of the owner of the subject application, Jenapharm GmbH & Co. KG. Eva-Maria Cramer is the head of the Patent Department and Uta Pilchowski is a member of Patent Department of Jenapharm GmbH & Co. KG, and together they had the responsibility of obtaining the signatures of the inventors to the application papers.

The attached Declaration appears to be essentially self-explanatory. Summarized, Messrs. Cramer and Pilchowski mailed the application papers to which the Declaration was attached to Dr. WILDT at his last known address of employment, as well as his last known residential address. In both cases, the papers were returned as undeliverable. Additionally, Messrs. Cramer and Pilchowski wrote to the local governmental authorities, paying a fee in order to ascertain the last known address of the missing inventor WILDT. The application papers were in fact correctly sent to the last known address given by the governmental authorities.

Accordingly, it is believed that a diligent effort was made to find or reach the missing inventor and that therefore the application should receive a filing date, despite the fact that this inventor did not sign the application papers.

The last known address for the missing inventor, Dr. Ludwig Wildt, is Hauendorfer Strasse 2b, 91974 Herzogenaurach-Hauendorf, Germany.

It is requested that any fee the fee be debited to the account of the undersigned, #19-4675.

Respectfully submitted,

Attorney for Applicant Reg. No.: 27233 103 East Neck Road

Huntington, New York 11743



DECLARATION

We, EVA-MARIA CRAMER and UTE PILCHOWSKI, hereby declare that we are employed by the Patent Department of Jenapharm GmbH & Co. KG of Jena, Germany which is the owner of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/729,487.

We are aware that on or about December 5, 2003, United States

Continuation in Part Patent Application Serial No. 10/729,487 was filed without signature.

We are further aware that all signatures to the Continuation in Part declaration for the subject application have now been obtained, except for the signature of the inventor Professor Dr. Ludwig Wildt.

It is the purpose of this Declaration to establish that a diligent effort was made to find or reach Dr. Wildt, who could not and cannot be located.

On February 2, 2004, we wrote do Dr. Wildt at the University of Erlangen where he at one time taught. A copy of our letter and a translation thereof is attached hereto, marked as Exhibit A. We were subsequently informed that Dr. Wildt had left the university and therefore the letter was returned.

Attached hereto as Exhibit B is a copy of the front page of the envelope returning the letter sent to the University bearing the German word "Ausgeschieden", which may be translated as "no longer here" or "left here."

On or about February 25, 2004, we sent a fax to the City Administration of the City of Herzogenaurach. A copy is attached hereto as Exhibit C, together with a translation thereof.

On or about March 5, 2004, we received a response from the City of Herzogenaurach, indicating the last known address of Dr. Wildt as Haundorfstrasse 2B, 91074 Herzogenaurach. A copy of this letter and a translation are attached as exhibit D.

Already on February 17, 2004, we had written to Dr. Wildt at this address, and a copy of our letter and translation are attached as Exhibit E.

Further attached as Exhibit F is a copy of the front of the envelope returning the letter to us as undeliverable.

· We are not aware of any other address for Dr. Wildt.

We further confirm that when the Declaration and assignment documents were in each event sent to Dr. Wildt for signature, the Declaration was attached to a copy of the Continuation in Part application as filed.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that those statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Dated: <u>April 19, 2004</u>

EVA-MARIA CRAMER

Dated: *April 19, 2004*

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Sehr geehrter Professor Wildt,

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February 2, 2004

(handwritten comments: Letter was returned; Prof. Wildt has left the university. Try to locate his home address.)

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Sincerely,

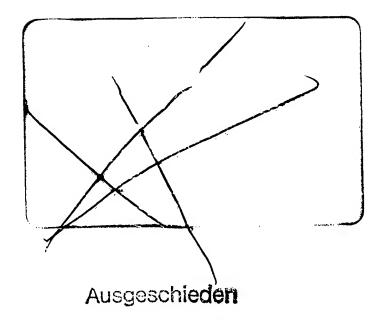
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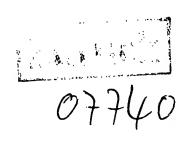
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Sehr geehrte Damen und Herren,

Wir bitten um Mitteilung der Anschrift von

Herrn Prof. Dr. Ludwig Wildt Letzte bekannte Adresse: Hauendorfer Straße 2 b 91974 Herzogenaurach-Hauendorf

Die erforderliche Gebühr in Höhe von 5,00 EUR wird umgehend auf Ihr Konto überwiesen.

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Ute Pilchowski Patentabteilung Fax from Jenapharm to City Administration of Herzogenaurach Dated February 25, 2004

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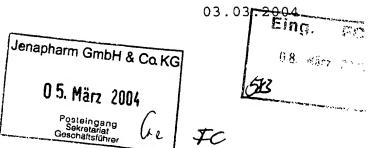
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We will transfer the required fee of 5.00 EUR to your account immediately.

Sincerely,

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Ihre Anfrage vom 25.02.2004
Az.: s. Anlage

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Bestandteile:

Doktorgrad : Dr.
Vorname(n) : Ludwig
Rufname : Ludwig

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Innsbruck
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To: Jenapharm GmbH & Co. KG

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Re: Your Inquiry dated February 25, 2004 (see Attachment)

Registration information

Family name:

Wildt

Education:

Dr.

First name:

Ludwig

Referred to as:

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Reply from

Innsbruck, Austria
We have no further information.

Sincerely,

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April 6, 2004

DECLARATION

The undersigned, Dana Scruggs, having an office at 8902B Otis Avenue, Suite 204B, Indianapolis, Indiana 46216, hereby states that she is well acquainted with both the English and German languages and that the attached is a true translation to the best of her knowledge and ability of Correspondence (INV.: OETTEL, M., ET AL), Ser. No.: 10/729,487.

The undersigned further declares that the above statement is true; and further, that this statement was made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or document or any patent resulting therefrom.

Dana Scruggs